

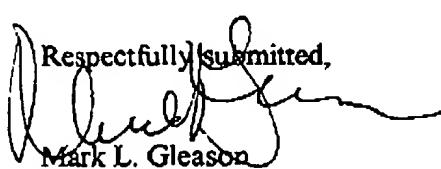
Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

Sections 6-7 of the office action rejected claim 47 under 35 USC 103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Theising. Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection. Claim 45, from which claim 47 depends, is believed to be proper for allowance for the reasons set forth herein. For at least this reason, claim 47 is also believed to be proper for allowance.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all pending claims of the present application are allowable. As evidenced by the above amendments and remarks, the Applicants have made a genuine effort to advance this case to issuance. As the amendments herein merely further clarify the claim language in response to the section 112 rejections and place the claims in condition for allowance, this response is believed to be proper for entry in accordance with 37 CFR 1.116. If the Examiner does not feel the claims are in condition for allowance, Applicants request the finality of the office action be withdrawn so that the Examiner's concerns may be completely addressed. The Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned attorney with any further questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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